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BOX PATENT APPLICATION
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of **Madeleine PRIGENT** and **Sophie VANPOULLE**
CABLE A FIBRE OPTIQUE A PROPRIETES AMELIOREES
Our Ref. Q58982

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the French language application identified above including 10 sheets of the specification, claims and abstract, 1 sheets of formal drawings, executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

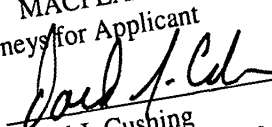
Total claims	$\frac{16}{1} - \frac{20}{3} = \frac{0}{0} \times$	\$18.00 =	\$0.00
Independent claims	$\frac{1}{1} - \frac{3}{3} = \frac{0}{0} \times$	\$78.00 =	\$690.00
Base Fee			\$690.00
			\$40.00
			\$730.00

TOTAL FILING FEE
Recordation of Assignment
TOTAL FEE

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$690.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from May 06, 1999 based on French Application No. 9905764. The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,
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